

New York Botanical Garden,
Bronx Park,
New York City.

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Mr. I. M. Johnston
Upland, California

Dear Sir:

I have just looked over the small bundle of specimens that you sent me early in the month. My determinations are as follows:

- 116? = 1372 *Cercocarpus alnifolius* Rydb. (?) (check)
= 1370 " *Douglasii* " That C. with large oval leaves from San Antonio Canon
1364 *Rubus leucodermis* Doug.
1456 *Heuchera elegans* Abrams
0056 *Horkelia platycalyx* Rydb.
1753 *Drymocallis viscida* Parish Summit 7460
1566 *Sericotheca Boursieri* (Cav.) Rydb.
✓1704 *Rosa mohavensis* Parish
✓1795 " *Santae-Crucis* Rydb. (?) This is the common rose at Red Hill

The determinations of the first and the last of this list are somewhat doubtful. No. 1372 seems to be *Cercocarpus alnifolius*, but this species has never been collected on the mainland. The same can be said of 1795. The latter is very hard to determine as the lower prickles are all broken off and there are no flowers and only one imperfect rose hip. In *Rosa*, just as well as in *Rubus*, it is very important to collect the young shoots coming from the ground as these shoots show characters which are not found on flowering specimens. If you have any other material of the same collection or can secure flowers next spring from the same place, I should be very glad, for whatever the plant, it is one of the rarities and I have just now a monograph of the roses in manuscript for the North American Flora which probably will be published next year, and any additional material of critical species is also welcome. *Rosa*

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Santae-Crucis is, however, very rare and has only been collected
on the island of Santa Cruz.

Very truly yours

P. A. Rydberg
Curator